Prices of edible oil

2292. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken or propose to take any steps to keep a check on further escalation of prices of edible oils in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDN AHMED): (a) and (b) There has been no escalation in the wholesale prices (of edible oils during the current Oil-Year 1992-93 as compared to 1991-92. On the contrary, there has been marked downward trend in the wholesale prices of edible olis.

2293. [*Transferred to 24th March*, 1993.]

2294. [*Transferred to 19th March*, 1193.]

Distribution of foodgrains to Rajastan and Orissa

2295. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of wheat/rice supplied to Rajasthan|Orissa States for distribution through the Public Distribution System from December, 1992 till date, State-wise;

(b) what was the demand thereof during the above period by each State; and

(c) whether Government are aware that there is acute shortage of controlled|essential items at the ration shops in the above State, if so, what steps have been taken so far to ensure regular supply thereof indicating the number of new shops opened in Rajasthan and Orissa under Public Distribution System during 1992-93 and those likely to be opened in 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) and (b) A Statement showing the demand and allocation of rice, wheat to Rajasthan and Orissa from December, 1992 till March, 1993 is attached (*See* below).

(c) No specific report of acute shortage of essential commodities at the fair price shops in the States of Rajasthan and Orissa have been received. Allocation of PDS commodities are made to States|UTs including Rajasthan and Orissa, taking into ccount the overall stocks in Cental Pool, inter-se requirements of States|Uts and seasonal factors. PDS allocations are supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the total requirements of any State|U.T. As per reports received from the State Governments of Rajasthan and Orissa 910 and 880 additional fairs price shops are reported to have been opened upto 28.2.93 under the Revamped Public Distribution System (RPDS) respectively. New fair price shops are onened taking into account the viability of fair price shops and the needs of the people...

Statement

Demand and Allocation of Foodgrains to Rajasthan and Orissa Month-wise from December, 1992

(figures in 000 tonnes)

	Wheat		Rice	
	Demand	Allocation	Demand	Allocation
RAJASTHAN				
December, 1992	200.00	101.50	5.00	3.60
January, 1993	200.00	94.00	5.00	11.50
February, 1993	200.00	94.00	3.00	11.50
March, 1993	146.50	89.00	3.00	11.50
ORISSA				
December, 1992	35.00	20.00	35.00	36.25
January, 1993	35.00	20.00	35.00	38.75
February, 1993	35.00	20.00	30.00	38.75
March, 1993	35.00	20.00	30.00	38.70

सार्वजनिक वितरण प्रणाली हेतु एक रूप नीति की आवश्यकता

2296. **डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या नागरिक पूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश भर में सार्वजनिक वितरण प्रणाली के संबंध में एकरूप नीति के अभाव में प्रादेशिक स्तर पर ग्राम उपभोक्ताओं के हितों की पर्याप्त रक्षा नहीं की जा रही है, जिसके परिणाम स्वरूप उनमें रोष फैल रहा है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार भविष्य में इस संबंध में एकरूप नीति का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

नागरिक पूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) : (क) से (ग) जी नहीं । केंद्रीय सरकार तथा राज्य सरकारें, संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासन उपभोक्ताओं को सार्वजनिक वितरण प्रणाली के जरिए प्रमुख आवश्यक वस्तुयें पहुंचाने के लिए पूरी तरह एकजुट हो कर कार्य करते हैं । हाल के वर्षों में देश में, मिट्टी के तेल , आयातित खाद्य तेल, लेवी चीनी तथा साफ्टकोक के अलावा प्रति वर्ष 170 से 180 लाख मी० टन खाद्यान्न वितरित किए गए हैं । इस समय लगभग 4 लाख उचित दर की दुकानों का एक व्यापक तंत्र मौजूद है, जिनमें से लगभग तीन-चौथाई दुकानें ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में हैं ।